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EP 0 832 565, cited in the PCT search report, has a U.S. equivalent (U.S. Patent No. 5,906,847, copy enclosed). Also enclosed is an English language abstract for EP 0 259 713.

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